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TAGS: ETRD, MTN

SUBJECT: GATT STANDARDS CODE -- PACIFIC AREA STANDARDS  
CONGRESS

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED: PACIFIC AREA STANDARDS CONGRESS (PASC) HELD FOURTH MEETING, KYOTO, JAPAN, JUNE 28-JULY 3. REPRESENTATIVES FROM NATIONAL STANDARDS ORGANIZATIONS AND FROM GOVERNMENTS OF U.S., JAPAN, CANADA, AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, SOUTH AFRICA, INDONESIA, SOUTH KOREA, AND HONG KONG PARTICIPATED.

2. PASC REAFFIRMED 1973 RESOLUTION SUPPORTING EFFORTS IN GATT TO DRAFT STANDARDS CODE AND STRONGLY URGING PARTICIPANTS TO COMPLETE THIS TASK. PASC ALSO UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED NEW RESOLUTION URGING THE INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR STANDARDIZATION (ISO) AND THE INTERNATIONAL ELECTROTECHNICAL COMMISSION (IEC) TO STUDY THE CODE TO DETERMINE IF ISO AND IEC PROCEDURES ARE ADEQUATE TO MEET THE CODE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS.

3. FULL TEXT OF NEW PASC RESOLUTION IS AS FOLLOWS:  
QUOTE: PASC URGES ISO AND IEC TO STUDY THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE PROPOSED GATT CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PREVENTING TECHNICAL BARRIERS TO TRADE WITH THE VIEW TO DETERMINING IF CURRENT ISO AND IEC PROCEDURES AND DIRECTIVES ARE ADEQUATE TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS FOR DEVELOPMENT AND PROMULGATION OF INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS WHICH, IN TURN, MAY BE APPLIED BY INDIVIDUAL COUNTRIES IN ADHERENCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE CODE. END QUOTE.

4. ACTION REQUIRED: PLEASE TRANSMIT TEXT OF NEW PASC RESOLUTION TO GATT SECRETARIAT FOR CIRCULATION TO MTN PARTICIPANTS. PASC RESOLUTION OF 1973 WAS CIRCULATED BY SECRETARIAT TO MEMBERS OF GATT WORKING GROUP 3 ON STANDARDS  
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(INT(73)12, 20 MARCH 1973). END UNCLASSIFIED.

5. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL: FYI: PASC RESOLUTION WAS PROMPTED, IN PARTICULAR, BY REFUSAL OF ISO EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO PUT GATT STANDARDS CODE ON AGENDA FOR CONSIDERATION BY ISO COUNCIL IN SEPTEMBER. ACCORDING TO ATTENDEE AT MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, FEILDEN, DIRECTOR GENERAL, BRITISH STANDARDS INSTITUTION (BSI), AND FRONTARD, DIRECTOR

GENERAL, ASSOCIATION FRANCAISE DE NORMALISATION (AFNOR),  
WERE OPPOSED ON GROUNDS THAT GATT CODE WILL NEVER COME INTO  
EFFECT. VIEWS OF FEILDEN AND FRONTARD APPEAR BE BASED ON  
LACK OF EC AND OF U.K. AND FRENCH GOVERNMENTS' CONSULTA-  
TIONS WITH BSI AND AFNOR, RATHER THAN PROVISIONS OF CODE.  
PASC RESOLUTION IS DESIGNED TO INVOLVE BSI, AFNOR, AND  
OTHER NATIONAL STANDARDS ORGANIZATIONS IN ISO AND IEC IN  
CONSIDERATION OF CODE SO THAT THEY WILL BEGIN TO STUDY,  
UNDERSTAND, AND, ULTIMATELY, SUPPORT CODE. END FYI. END  
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